**To:** Daniel Telvock[dtelvock@investigativepost.org]

From: Daly, Eric

**Sent:** Thur 10/6/2016 6:24:39 PM

Subject: RE: Area 5 aerial

You are confusing gamma readings with radon sampling results. I have a similar situation in my home where I have increased radon in my basement. I do not have deposited TENORM under my basement and I do not have elevated gamma. It is naturally occurring.

From: Daniel Telvock [mailto:dtelvock@investigativepost.org]

Sent: Thursday, October 06, 2016 2:22 PM

To: Daly, Eric <Daly.Eric@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Area 5 aerial

One home did have high gamma readings, you sent me the report. triple the action level. That's why EPA had installed a mitigation system. No one knows what is under that basement but something that is causing radon gas to reach the basement

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On Thu, Oct 6, 2016 at 2:17 PM, Daly, Eric < <u>Daly.Eric@epa.gov</u>> wrote:

The piles that were identified historically and confirmed by us were in Area 1 and the back area of the cemetery (Area 3). Area 5 did not show any increased gamma or increased analytical soil readings. Inside there were no gamma reading in the basement...which you can detect through concrete.

From: Daniel Telvock [mailto:dtelvock@investigativepost.org]

Sent: Thursday, October 06, 2016 2:13 PM

**To:** Daly, Eric < <u>Daly.Eric@epa.gov</u>>

Subject: Re: Area 5 aerial

I didn't think you could, I am just pointing out that it is suspicious.

And there's a reason that aerial is included in the 2,000-plus page historic review and assessment report for the Holy Trinity Cemetery property.

That report, commissioned by the EPA, on numerous occasions mentions piles of slag that did measure elevated radioactivity being stored there because the material was going to be used as bedding for a road the cemetery had planned to construct. That road, which would've cut through area 5, was never built, and those hot slag piles are mostly unaccounted for and some of it is spread through the property that is now fenced. Maybe some of it was used below the foundation of the home in Area 5 that had high radon. Niagara County and Lewiston are not known as places in NY with naturally occurring radon based on state health data. Naturally occurring radon problems in basements are more prevalent in the Southern Tier and in the East-Southeast counties of the state. See: <a href="http://www.wadsworth.org/sites/default/files/WebImage/1924656209/BASEMENT\_final.jpg">http://www.wadsworth.org/sites/default/files/WebImage/1924656209/BASEMENT\_final.jpg</a>

The image clearly shows large piles of material, black on this B/W image. It also happens to be mostly in the area that is now fenced.

Wasn't sure if you had seen it.

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On Thu, Oct 6, 2016 at 1:31 PM, Daly, Eric < Daly. Eric@epa.gov > wrote:

I'm not sure I could identify piles of material from that image.

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From: Daniel Telvock [mailto:dtelvock@investigativepost.org]

Sent: Thursday, October 06, 2016 12:37 PM

To: Daly, Eric < Daly. Eric@epa.gov >

Subject: Re: Area 5 aerial

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> On Oct 6, 2016, at 11:43 AM, Daly, Eric < <u>Daly.Eric@epa.gov</u>> wrote:
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> Please send me the aerial you are referring to. Also, we have found piles of material and uncovered rock that are not radioactive at Holy Trinity. Basically, a pile of rocks or slag-like material does not necessarily mean we have TENORM.

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> -----Original Message-----
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> From: Daniel Telvock [mailto:<u>dtelvock@investigativepost.org</u>]

> Sent: Thursday, October 06, 2016 11:41 AM

> To: Daly, Eric < <u>Daly Eric@epa.gov</u>>

> Subject: Area 5 aerial >

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> This 1963 aerial sure shows a large pile of material that overlaps area 5 that seems awful suspicious, Eric. This is in EPA reports fyi

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